Staging fake surrenders to claim rehabilitation assistance

215. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government grants rehabilitation assistance to the terrorists who surrender before authorities to shun path of violence;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, with number of such surrenders and the amount spent on their rehabilitation during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether there have been instances where certain individuals pretending to be terrorists, stage surreneders in order to claim rehabilitation assistance;

(d) if so, the details of such fake surrenders; and

(e) the action taken in such cases and measures proposed to be taken to verify claims before extending rehabilitation assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The State Government of J&K had formulated a Scheme for surrender-cum-rehabilitation of militants in J&K on 15th August 1995 which was revised in June 1997 and further revised since 31.1.2004.

The Central Government has formulated a scheme for surrender-cum-rehabilitation of militants in the North-East States which is applicable to those militants who have surrendered/surrender after 1.4.1998.

The Central Government provides 100% reimbursement of expenditure incurred on the rehabilitation of surrenderees in J&K and North-East States. The details of militants surrendered and the reimbursement claimed during the last three years is given below:—

Year	J&K		NE States	
	No. of militants surrendered	Amount released	No. of militants surrendered	Reimbursement claimed
2003	119	Rs. 0.21 crores	3299	Rs. 1.88 crores
2004	137	Rs. 0.45 crores	1284	Rs. 6.79 crores
2005 (upto 15.2.2005)	4	Nil	77	Rs. 6.00 crores

(c) to (e) So far as North-East States are concerned, no instance of fake surrender has been reported. However, there has been an instance of fake surrender in J&K in which 26 youth from Kashmiri Valley were lured by three persons namely Bashir Ahmed Bhat @ gola, a released militant of Hizbullah outfit, son of Sonaullah resident of Hafroo Batpora, Master Mohd Maqbool Malla resident of Sogom (Chadoora) and Nazir Ahmed Bhat son of Ab. Salam resident of Jawahar Nagar, Srinagar promising them jobs and financial help. The surrenderees were given fake names of active terrorists and missing persons believed to be in PoK/Pak presently. All the three accused persons have been arrested.

The Surrender Policy announced by the State Government contains adequate provisions to detect fake surrenders.

People killed by Naxalites during recent Assembly Elections

†216. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed, property damaged and booth looted by the naxalities in the recently concluded Assembly elections;

(b) whether Government propose to take some specific steps to eliminate the Naxalism in these States; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) As per available reports, 11 persons

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